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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

Ryan Q. Claridge,

Plaintiff,

vs.

I-FLOW CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation; I-FLOW, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company; DJO LLC (f.k.a. DJ ORTHOPEDICS, LLC), a Delaware limited liability company; DJO, INCORPORATED, aka DJO, INC., a Delaware corporation; STRYKER CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation; and STRYKER SALES CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation,

Defendants.

CASE NO.: 2:18-CV-01654-GMN-BNW

**SECOND AMENDED  
COMPLAINT  
(JURY DEMANDED)**

Plaintiff, Ryan Claridge, by and through his counsel, complains of Defendants, I-Flow Corporation; I-Flow, LLC; DJO, LLC; DJO, Incorporated, aka DJO, Inc.; Stryker Corporation; and Stryker Sales Corporation, demands a jury trial, and alleges as follows:

**JURISDICTION**

1. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 1332 as Plaintiff was a citizen of Nevada at the time of his surgery, and is currently a citizen of Nevada, and Defendants are citizens of different states.



1           9.       The pain pump is a medical device intended to deliver, via catheter, a continuous dose of  
2 pain medication directly into the operative site immediately following surgery.

3           10.      The pain pump is designed and intended to be used with commonly used anesthetics such  
4 as bupivacaine, with or without epinephrine, over the course of two days or more.

5           11.      The continuous injection of such medications over time directly into the shoulder joint can  
6 cause serious and permanent damage to the shoulder joint cartilage, chondrolysis, the death of the  
7 chondrocytes and a complete or nearly complete destruction of cartilage in the shoulder joint.

8           12.      At all pertinent times, Defendants represented to the public and to health-care  
9 professionals that the pain pump was a safe and effective product used for post-operative pain  
10 management.

11          13.      At all pertinent times, Defendants represented to the public and health care professionals  
12 that pain pumps could appropriately be used in or near the shoulder joint.

13          14.      At all pertinent times, Defendants knew that their pain pumps were not cleared by the  
14 United States Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) for use in the joint space. In fact, Defendants  
15 knew that the FDA, as early as 1998, had repeatedly rejected their requests for permission to market these  
16 devices for orthopedic use and/or use in the joint space, based on a lack of safety data.

17          15.      Defendants actively promoted their pain pumps to orthopedic surgeons for orthopedic use  
18 and/or use in the joint space, despite the FDA’s denial of permission to market the device for these  
19 indications, and despite Defendants’ failure to test the safety of their pain pumps for joint space use.

20          16.      Three times the FDA denied Defendant I-Flow’s applications to add joint-space (intra-  
21 articular or synovial cavity) use to its approved indications for use: once in November 1998, when  
22 Defendant I-Flow sought clearance for continuous infusion of local anesthetic directly into the intra-  
23 articular site; once in February 1999, when Defendant I-Flow sought to add the synovial cavity as a route  
24 of administration; and once in March 1999, when Defendant I-Flow sought to add “orthopedic surgery”  
25 as an indicated use and “synovial cavity” as an additional route of infusion. In addition, Defendant I-  
26 Flow was aware that the FDA had required another manufacturer, McKinley, to remove synovial cavity  
27 administration from its indications for use on March 3, 1999.

1           17.     Nevertheless, in a press release, Defendant I-Flow announced that it had “received  
2 approval in June 1998 from the [FDA] to market PainBuster [one of its pain pumps] in the United States  
3 for orthopaedic surgery applications.” This was not true.

4           18.     Defendant I-Flow made the same misrepresentation in a Form 10-K that it filed with the  
5 Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on March 31, 1999.

6           19.     The manuals for Defendant I-Flow’s and Defendant DJO’s sales representatives listed  
7 labral repairs, such as SLAP repairs (the repair of a “superior labral anterior posterior” tear), like the  
8 surgery Ryan Claridge had, as a targeted orthopedic application.

9           20.     Moreover, Defendant I-Flow’s marketing materials instructed physicians to insert the  
10 catheter into the surgical wound site, which, in the case of a SLAP repair, would be the joint space. Yet,  
11 there was no approval or clearance for use in the joint space, and Defendant I-Flow was aware of this  
12 fact.

13           21.     Defendant Stryker was no different. Specifically, in a March 31, 1999 press release  
14 announcing an agreement between Defendant Stryker and McKinley, its predecessor, Defendant Stryker  
15 misrepresented that its pain pumps were approved for orthopedic applications.

16           22.     Defendant Stryker knew in 1999 that the FDA had mistakenly cleared its predecessor  
17 device (the McKinley Outbound pump) for synovial cavity use (that is, use in the joint space) but had  
18 withdrawn that clearance in March 1999 due to an absence of testing data. Yet it did not make any  
19 changes in its labeling or instructions for use after learning of the FDA’s revocation of clearance for  
20 synovial cavity use.

21           23.     In 2001, Defendant Stryker asked the FDA to add the synovial cavity (the joint space) to  
22 its indication for use for the Stryker PainPump II, but the FDA denied the request on June 5, 2001.

23           24.     There was no site-specific orthopedic application (such as shoulder surgery, intra-articular  
24 infusion, or infusion into the synovial cavity or joint space) for which Defendant Stryker could legally  
25 market its pain pumps. Nevertheless, Defendant Stryker continued to market its pain pumps for off-label,  
26 site-specific orthopedic indications that the FDA had twice rejected (in 1999 and again in 2001) and did  
27 not tell users of the devices or its own sales people that the FDA had rejected the uses it was promoting.

1           25. Defendant Stryker's 2003 "Guide to Selling PainPump<sup>TM</sup>," instructs its sales  
2 representatives to "[c]oach the surgeon on catheter placement." Defendant Stryker's sales representatives  
3 would approach doctors in the operating rooms and encourage them to use the pain pumps intra-  
4 articularly in the knee and shoulder, implying that the pumps could be used safely inside the joint space.  
5 Dr. Lonnie Paulos, an orthopedic surgeon who was a consultant to Defendant Stryker from 2000 to 2007,  
6 has confirmed this fact.

7           26. In addition to its instructions to its sales force, Defendant Stryker's on-line training course,  
8 in-service guidelines, a procedure chart, and other marketing materials given to its representatives and to  
9 physicians represented that Defendant Stryker's pain pumps could be used in shoulder surgery and in the  
10 shoulder joint space.

11           27. By promoting their pain pumps for use in the shoulder joint, Defendant I-Flow and  
12 Defendant Stryker were also promoting the anesthetics infused by the pumps for use in the shoulder joint,  
13 despite the fact that local anesthetics were not approved for continuous intra-articular infusion.

14           28. Scientific and medical literature from 1985 through the 1990s demonstrated the potential  
15 toxicity to articular cartilage from bathing joints with various solutions, such as bupivacaine.

16           29. This information was available to Defendant I-Flow and Defendant Stryker.

17           30. In light of this information, by late 2003, the medical community was beginning to  
18 recognize glenohumeral chondrolysis as a devastating complication of shoulder arthroscopy.

19           31. In May 2004, an FDA officer wrote an article in the journal *Anesthesiology* discussing  
20 adverse events reported to the FDA that were associated with the use of pain pump systems for direct  
21 anesthetic infusion into a surgical wound.

22           32. Monitoring the scientific and medical literature is a standard industry practice, so  
23 Defendant I-Flow and Defendant Stryker knew or should have known of this publication and potential  
24 warning sign.

25           33. Defendant Stryker in fact learned of the publication in 2005 from a physician that it  
26 consulted after learning of chondrolysis reports.

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1           34.     On February 11, 2005, Dr. Lonnie Paulos, Defendant Stryker's consultant, sent a fax to  
2 Defendant Stryker alerting it about 30 to 32 cases of chondrolysis that he knew about personally. Dr.  
3 Paulos followed this up with an e-mail four days later, on February 15, 2005, to Brady Shirley, Senior  
4 Vice President of Stryker Endoscopy, and Don Kelley, General Manager for Orthopedics for Stryker  
5 Instruments Mountain States area. Dr. Paulos's communications were meant "to reinforce the  
6 importance of this issue" and advised Defendant Stryker that the "only common link is the pain dripping  
7 devices [i.e., pain pumps] with Marcain or Lidocain and Epinephrine." The incidents occurred after the  
8 pain pump catheter was placed in the glenohumeral (shoulder joint) space. Dr. Paulos warned that "there  
9 will be a huge out pouring of other cases that have been smoldering for several years" when Dr. Charles  
10 Beck presented a paper that summer at the Herodicus Society meeting. Dr. Paulos "strongly  
11 recommended" that Defendant Stryker change its labeling "as soon as possible" and proposed that  
12 Defendant Stryker do an animal study within thirty to sixty days, neither of which Defendant Stryker did.

13           35.     On August 9, 2005, Dr. Beck called Defendant Stryker reporting that pain pump recipients  
14 developed a condition where cartilage died and "flaked off" some six months after Bankart repairs. Nine  
15 of thirteen patients who received a Defendant Stryker pain pump after initial shoulder surgery for either  
16 Bankart repair or capsular shift were diagnosed with chondrolysis approximately six months after the  
17 surgery, and six of the nine required shoulder replacement.

18           36.     Despite the fact that all nine cases met the criteria for Medical Device Reporting (MDR),  
19 Defendant Stryker only reported seven of Dr. Beck's cases to the FDA, and none of the other cases  
20 reported to Defendant Stryker by Dr. Paulos.

21           37.     In May or June of 2005, representatives of pain pump manufacturers and distributors,  
22 including representatives of Defendant I-Flow and Defendant Stryker, visited Dr. Randy Yee to market  
23 pain pumps to him.

24           38.     The representatives told Dr. Yee that he could put the pumps' catheters in the shoulders  
25 and knees and that there was no problem with them.

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1           39. Specifically, on information and belief, David Tevebaugh (Defendant I-Flow's Territory  
2 Manager), and/or other employees, agents, or representatives of Defendant I-Flow, told Dr. Yee that the  
3 devices were FDA approved and that he could safely use them in the shoulder.

4           40. About this same time, on information and belief, Scott Thurman (Defendant Stryker's  
5 Sales Representative), Ian Rosen (Defendant Stryker's Sales Representative) and/or other employees,  
6 agents, or representatives of Defendant Stryker, made similar representations to Dr. Yee, leading Dr. Yee  
7 to believe that pain pumps were safe for use in the shoulder joint.

8           41. Defendant I-Flow's and Defendant Stryker's employees, agents, and/or representatives all  
9 failed to inform Dr. Yee that the pain pumps were specifically denied FDA clearance for intra-articular  
10 use.

11           42. In reliance on these representations and nondisclosures of Mr. Tevebaugh, Mr. Thurman,  
12 Mr. Rosen, and/or other employees, agents, or representatives of Defendant I-Flow and Defendant  
13 Stryker, Dr. Yee began using pain pumps in the shoulder joint for post-surgery pain relief.

14           43. Defendants did not warn Plaintiff Ryan Claridge or Dr. Yee, his surgeon, that pain pumps  
15 had been denied clearance by the FDA for orthopedic use and/or use in the joint space and that pain  
16 pumps' safety for such indications had not been established.

17           44. On information and belief, if Defendant I-Flow's and/or Defendant Stryker's  
18 representatives told Dr. Yee that pain pump manufacturers tried to get FDA clearance to market their  
19 pumps for intra-articular use but that the FDA had denied their requests, Dr. Yee would not have put the  
20 pump catheters in Ryan Claridge's shoulder joint.

21           45. Defendants did not warn Plaintiff Ryan Claridge or Dr. Yee about the unreasonable risks  
22 and dangers of using the pain pump and anesthetic medications in this manner.

23           46. Dr. Yee used the pain pumps in the manner instructed and directed by Defendants.

24           47. In November 2009, the FDA issued a report warning healthcare professionals "to not use  
25 [pain pumps] for continuous intra-articular infusion of local anesthetics after orthopedic surgery." In the  
26 same report, the FDA stated that it "has not cleared any [pain pumps] with an indication for use in intra-  
27 articular infusion of local anesthetics."

1           48. Plaintiff Ryan Claridge grew up in Michigan and was an exceptional multi-sport athlete in  
2 high school and college.

3           49. Ryan Claridge attended college and played NCAA football at the University of Nevada,  
4 Las Vegas (UNLV), from 2000 to 2004, under UNLV's head coach John Robinson, who had previously  
5 been the head football coach for USC in the PAC-10 and the Los Angeles Rams in the NFL. Ryan was a  
6 star linebacker at UNLV.

7           50. In 2005 Ryan Claridge was drafted by the New England Patriots as a linebacker and given  
8 a four-year contract.

9           51. During the summer of 2005 Ryan Claridge suffered a left shoulder injury during the  
10 Patriots' pre-season training camp.

11           52. Plaintiff Ryan Claridge underwent left shoulder arthroscopic surgery in August 2005 at  
12 Seven Hills Surgery Center, Henderson, Nevada, by Dr. Randy Yee. Dr. Yee inserted post-operatively  
13 into Ryan's left shoulder joint an On-Q pain pump manufactured and sold by Defendants I-Flow and  
14 DJO.

15           53. The On-Q pain pump infused anesthetic continuously for at least 48 hours into Ryan's  
16 shoulder joint for post-operative pain relief.

17           54. Unbeknownst to Dr. Yee and to Ryan Claridge, the On-Q pain pump killed the living  
18 chondrocytes in Ryan's shoulder cartilage, causing irreversible destruction of his shoulder cartilage.

19           55. During the following months, as Ryan followed his prescribed physical therapy in  
20 preparation to return to active duty with the New England Patriots, the normal expected improvement in  
21 range of motion and function and pain relief did not occur.

22           56. In fact, by the last several months of 2005, Ryan's shoulder worsened. He again saw Dr.  
23 Yee about the unusual lack of progress.

24           57. In January 2006, Dr. Yee did an exploratory arthroscopic examination of Ryan's left  
25 shoulder joint. This surgery occurred at a different surgery center, the Southern Hills Hospital and  
26 Medical Center in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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1           67. As a result of their design, the pain pumps were more dangerous than an ordinary and  
2 reasonable user of the pain pumps would expect, considering the pain pumps' characteristics, uses that  
3 were foreseeable to Defendants, and any instructions or warnings given by Defendants.

4           68. Plaintiff Ryan Claridge neither knew nor should have known of the danger posed by use  
5 of Defendants' pain pumps in or near the shoulder joint.

6           69. Plaintiff Ryan Claridge's surgeon did not have actual knowledge sufficient to know the  
7 danger posed by use of Defendants' pain pumps in or near the shoulder joint, and Defendants did not give  
8 Plaintiff Ryan Claridge or his surgeon sufficient warning regarding the danger posed by use of  
9 Defendants' pain pumps in or near the shoulder joint.

10           70. The design defects in Defendants' pain pumps were present at the time Defendants  
11 manufactured, distributed, and sold the pain pumps.

12           71. Defendants knew, or reasonably should have known, of the danger posed by use of their  
13 pain pumps in or near the shoulder joint.

14           72. Defendants were required to warn about the danger posed by the foreseeable use of their  
15 pain pumps in or near the shoulder joint.

16           73. Defendants failed to provide an adequate warning to Plaintiff Ryan Claridge or his  
17 surgeon at the time Defendants' pain pumps were manufactured, distributed, and sold, in that, in light of  
18 the ordinary knowledge common to members of the community who use Defendants' pain pumps,  
19 Defendants failed to:

- 20           a. provide a warning that was designed to reasonably catch the attention of Plaintiff  
21           Ryan Claridge and his surgeon;
- 22           b. provide a warning that was understandable to Plaintiff Ryan Claridge and his  
23           surgeon;
- 24           c. provide a warning that fairly indicated the danger from the pain pumps'  
25           foreseeable use in or near the shoulder joint;
- 26           d. provide a warning that was sufficiently conspicuous to match the magnitude of the  
27           danger posed by use of the pain pumps in or near the shoulder joint;

e. provide a warning that the safety and effectiveness of the devices for use in the shoulder joint space had not been established; and

f. provide a warning that when used as designed, Defendants' pain pumps delivered, over time, dangerously high doses of medication directly into the shoulder joint.

74. Defendants' failure to provide an adequate warning made Defendants' pain pumps defective and unreasonably dangerous.

75. The pain pumps were unreasonably and dangerously defective because at no time did Defendants conduct adequate testing to determine whether pain pumps placed for infusion in or near the joint space could cause damage to articular cartilage.

76. The defects in the pain pumps were a proximate cause of the Plaintiff's harms and losses.

77. As a direct result of the use of the pain pumps in Plaintiff Ryan Claridge's shoulder, Plaintiff has suffered harms and losses, including, but not limited to, severe physical pain, mental suffering, loss of the enjoyment of life, past and future medical, surgical, and related expenses, impairment, disfigurement, past and future loss of earnings and earning capacity, and loss of household services.

## **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

### **(Negligence)**

#### ***Against All Defendants***

78. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding allegations as if fully set forth herein.

79. Defendants had a duty to design, manufacture, test, inspect, assemble, label, market, distribute, and sell the pain pumps so as to eliminate any unreasonable risk of foreseeable injury.

80. At all relevant times, Defendants breached this duty and failed to use reasonable care in designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, assembling, labeling, marketing, distributing, and selling their pain pumps. Defendants' negligence includes, but is not limited to, the following:

a. Defendants failed to conduct a proper assessment and analysis of the design and assembly of the pain pumps;

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- b. Defendants failed to properly test and/or inspect the pain pumps in the environment in which they were to be used to ensure that the pain pumps would be safely used in a manner and for a purpose for which they were made;
- c. Defendants promoted and marketed their pain pump for use in shoulder surgery even though—
- i. Use of the pain pump in the joint space had not been cleared by the FDA, and in fact had been specifically rejected by the FDA;
  - ii. Continuous injection of anesthetic medications, through a catheter, directly into the shoulder joint for two or more days had not been adequately tested for safety or effectiveness;
  - iii. The risk of chondrolysis and other serious post-operative problems associated with using the pain pumps as designed and instructed outweighed the possible benefits of such use;
  - iv. Defendants failed to provide adequate warnings and instructions to Plaintiff Ryan Claridge and to physicians and medical providers using the pain pumps; and
  - v. Defendants failed to recall the pain pumps.

81. Defendants' negligence was a proximate cause of the Plaintiff's harms and losses.

**THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Misrepresentation and Fraudulent Concealment)**  
***Against all Defendants***

82. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding allegations as if fully set forth herein.

83. Defendants had a duty to provide truthful information and to not provide misleading information about their pain pumps to surgeons and the public, including the Plaintiff.

84. Defendants, by and through their highest levels of management and leadership, and implemented through their employees, agents, and sales representatives, made misrepresentations or omissions of facts material to physicians to induce them to choose post-arthroscopic surgery use of pain pumps for their patients' pain relief.

1           85. Defendants' misrepresentations included, but were not limited to, the following:

- 2           a. That post-arthroscopic shoulder surgery pain pump use in the shoulder joint was  
3           safe;
- 4           b. That pain pumps had been used for years in other parts of the body, and therefore  
5           were safe for use in shoulder joints;
- 6           c. That post-arthroscopic shoulder surgery pain pump use in the shoulder joint had  
7           been tested and testing had determined such use to be safe; and
- 8           d. That the FDA had approved in some fashion the use of pain pumps in the shoulder  
9           joint for post-arthroscopic shoulder surgery pain relief.

10          86. Defendants knew or should have known at the time that they made their  
11          misrepresentations and omissions that they were false.

12          87. Defendants, at the highest levels of their management and leadership, caused multiple  
13          material misrepresentations and/or omissions to be made to surgeons and others involved in the purchase  
14          and use of pain pumps, by and through false and misleading information taught to and disseminated by  
15          Defendants' employees and agents, including pain pump sales representatives who routinely appeared in  
16          surgical operating rooms promoting the use of pain pumps to shoulder surgeons, including Dr. Yee.

17          88. Defendants caused the above-described misrepresentations to be made about their pain  
18          pumps intentionally, recklessly and without regard for the truth.

19          89. Defendants failed to use reasonable care to determine whether their representations were  
20          true.

21          90. Defendants were in a better position than surgeons to know the true facts.

22          91. Defendants had a financial interest in transactions dependent on the facts as represented by  
23          Defendants.

24          92. Defendants intended that surgeons, including Plaintiff's shoulder surgeon, would rely on  
25          their misrepresentations and omissions.

26          93. Plaintiff's physician reasonably relied upon Defendants' misrepresentations and  
27          omissions.

1           94. Defendants intentionally or negligently did not alter or correct the disseminated  
2 information they knew to be misrepresentations or omissions.

3           95. By reason of Dr. Yee's reasonable reliance on Defendants' misrepresentations and  
4 omissions of material fact, Dr. Yee implanted Defendants' pain pumps into Plaintiff's left shoulder joint  
5 in 2005 and 2006, each of which infused anesthetics continuously into Plaintiff's intra-articular joint for  
6 over 48 hours, and each of which caused irreparable destruction to his shoulder cartilage.

7           96. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' intentional and/or reckless  
8 misrepresentations, Plaintiff Ryan Claridge has suffered and continues to suffer egregious and lifelong  
9 injuries, pain, restrictions, disfigurement, impairments and damages.

10           97. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' intentional and/or reckless  
11 misrepresentations, Plaintiff Ryan Claridge has suffered and continues to suffer lifelong medical,  
12 medication, and related expenses and costs; the loss of his professional NFL football career; substantial  
13 loss of past and future income and benefits; severely impaired earning capacity; and other substantial  
14 related economic damages.

15           98. Plaintiff is entitled to recover damages caused by Defendants' misrepresentations in an  
16 amount to be determined at trial.

17           99. Defendants were under a continuing duty to disclose the true facts regarding pain pump  
18 use for intra-articular joint use, and knowingly and fraudulently concealed the true facts.

19           100. Plaintiff and the medical community were kept in ignorance of important information  
20 essential to the pursuit of these claims, without any fault or lack of diligence on their part. As a result of  
21 Defendants' fraudulent concealment of the true facts, Plaintiff and the medical community could not  
22 reasonably have known or become aware of the dangerous nature of pain pumps in intra-articular joints at  
23 the time of Plaintiff's left shoulder surgeries by Dr. Yee.

24           101. Any applicable statute of limitations has been tolled by Defendants' knowing and active  
25 concealment and denial of the true facts regarding intra-articular use of their pain pumps.

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**FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Negligent Misrepresentation)**  
***Against all Defendants***

102. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding allegations as if fully set forth herein.

103. Defendants, in the course of actions in which they had a pecuniary interest, failed to exercise reasonable care or competence in obtaining or communicating information to Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff's shoulder surgeon.

104. Defendants knew or should have known at the time that they made their misrepresentations and omissions that they were false.

105. Defendants intended that surgeons, including Plaintiff's shoulder surgeon, would rely on their misrepresentations and omissions.

106. Plaintiff's physician reasonably relied upon Defendants' misrepresentations and omissions.

107. Plaintiff is entitled to recover damages caused by Defendants' negligent misrepresentations in an amount to be determined at trial.

**DAMAGES**

108. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding allegations as if fully set forth herein.

109. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' fault set forth generally above, Plaintiff has suffered and will suffer the following damages, in amounts to be proved at trial:

- a. General damages for severe physical pain, mental suffering, impairment, disability, disfigurement, and loss of the enjoyment of life suffered by Plaintiff Ryan Claridge;
- b. Past, present, and future damages for the costs of medical, surgical, rehabilitative treatment and related expenses and care for Plaintiff Ryan Claridge;
- c. Past and future loss of wages, earnings and earning capacity of Plaintiff Ryan Claridge;
- d. Damages for Plaintiff Ryan Claridge's loss of household services; and

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e. Plaintiff's costs of this action, together with interest on special and general damages from the date of occurrence at the legal rate until paid, interest on any judgment awarded herein at the legal rate until paid, and other and further relief as the Court deems equitable and just.

### **PUNITIVE DAMAGES**

110. As early as 1999, Defendants knew that the FDA had not cleared or approved use of pain pumps in or near the shoulder joint space, but they continued to market and promote pain pumps specifically for orthopedic, joint-space use.

111. Defendants knew that the safety of their pain pumps for orthopedic and joint-space use had not been established, yet they actively marketed and promoted their pain pumps to orthopedic surgeons for orthopedic use, including joint-space use, without ever conducting studies to determine the safety of such use.

112. Despite the above, Defendants continued to market pain pumps for joint-space use and did not issue a warning to inform the public that the safety of pain pumps in the joint space had not been established.

113. These acts and omissions of Defendants show that Defendants have acted with oppression, fraud, or malice, express or implied, that their conduct was willful and malicious or intentionally fraudulent, or that they engaged in despicable conduct with a conscious disregard of the rights or safety of others, including Plaintiff, consciously and deliberately disregarding known safety measures in reckless disregard of the possible results. Defendants' conduct makes them liable to Plaintiff for punitive or exemplary damages, in an amount to be subject to proof at trial.

### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment in his favor and against Defendants awarding the following:

1. A monetary award sufficient to compensate Plaintiff for the following categories of damages:

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- a. General damages for severe physical pain, mental suffering, inconvenience, impairment, disfigurement, and loss of the enjoyment of life suffered by Plaintiff Ryan Claridge;
  - b. Past, present, and future damages for the costs of medical, surgical, rehabilitative treatment and related expenses and care for Plaintiff Ryan Claridge;
  - c. Past and future loss of wages, earnings and earning capacity of Plaintiff Ryan Claridge; and
  - d. Damages for Plaintiff Ryan Claridge's loss of household services.
2. Punitive damages, in an amount to be subject to proof at trial.
  3. Plaintiff's costs of this action.
  4. Interest on past and future special damage amounts from the date of injury at the legal rate until paid.
  5. Interest on any judgment awarded herein at the legal rate until paid.
  6. Such other and further relief as the Court deems equitable and just.

**JURY DEMAND**

Plaintiff has requested a jury trial in this case.

DATED this 7th day of October, 2019.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 5(b) and LR 5-1, I hereby certify that service of the foregoing **SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT** was made on October 7, 2019, by depositing a copy for mailing, first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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